BENTON CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL
Benton, Illinois 62812
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 16, 2023

The Board of Education of the Benton Consolidated High School District #103 met in Regular Session on Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. in the District Board Room. President, Robin LaBuwi called the meeting to order.

Mark Dyel opened in prayer and Robby Cockrum led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Robin LaBuwi, President; Marci Glover, Vice-President; Mitch Bennett, Secretary; Robby Cockrum, Shane Cockrum, and Mark Dyel. Board member absent: Kenny Irvin.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Sean Docherty, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; and Cole Buchanan, Student Council Representative.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

4.1 Appointment/Compensation/Discipline/Performance of Personnel

4.2 Student Disciplinary Case

Mitch Bennett made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, and Performance of Personnel and a student disciplinary case. Mark Dyel seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

The Board; Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary entered into an Executive Session in the Executive Board Room at 5:01 P.M.

Open Session - The Board reconvened in an Open Session at 5:18 P.M. Mitch Bennett, Secretary called the roll. Answering present: Robby Cockrum -yes, Shane Cockrum – yes,
Mark Dyel – yes, Marci Glover – yes, Robin LaBuwi – yes and Mitch Bennett - yes. Board member absent: Kenny Irvin.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Sean Docherty, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; and Cole Buchanan, Student Council Representative.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Approve Minutes: Regular Board Meeting Minutes, January 19, 2023
Executive Board Meeting Minutes, January 19, 2023
Special Board Meeting Minutes, February 6, 2023
Executive Board Minutes, February 6, 2023

5.2 Approve Financial Report (January 2023)

5.3 Approve Payment of Bills (January 2023)

5.4 Review/Approve District Seniority List (ENCL A)

5.5 Review/Approve Aramark Service Agreement (ENCL B)

5.6 Approve Sunday Musical Practice/Rehersal Dates April 16 & 23, 2:00 p.m - 5:00 p.m.

5.7 Review/Approve 2022-23 Amended School Calendar (ENCL C)

Marci Glover made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Shane Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Robby Cockrum -yes, Shane Cockrum – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Marci Glover – yes, Robin LaBuwi – yes and Mitch Bennett - yes. Motion Carried.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

Mr. Johnson commented on the following:

- Building Committee Meeting
- COVID Administrative Leave
- Financial Update
- BCHS to host SICA Allstar Football Game

Written reports from Principal Docherty and Assistant Principal/AD Miller were given.

7. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

8. OLD BUSINESS

8.1 Approve Activity Account Expenditures Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve the expenditures from the Athletics Activity Account as presented. Robby Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Employment of Personnel Shane Cockrum made a motion to approve the following resignations/retirements to be effective at the end of the 2022-23 school year: a) Robin McAfoos as teacher's aide, b) Beth Finney retirement, c) Joey Clinton as teacher's aide, d) Judy Lampley as teacher's aide. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.2 Assignment of Personnel Shane Cockrum made a motion to assign Gavin Suver as a volunteer assistant track coach for the 2022-23 school year. Robby Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Marci Glover made a motion to assign Victoria Towers as a volunteer assistant softball coach for the 2022-23 school year. Robby Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.3 Review/Approve Posting of Open Positions Mark Dyel made a motion to authorize the administration to post the positions of Computer Network specialist and Media Specialist/Librarian as available for the 2023-24 school year. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.4 Review/Approve Review/Approve Project Specifications and Authorize to Give Notice of Invitation to Let Bids for RHG Bleacher Replacement (ENCL G) Shane Cockrum made a motion to Approve the Project Specifications and Authorize the Administration to Give Notice of Invitation to Let Bids for RHG Bleacher Replacement. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of ENCL G has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION REMARKS Mark Dyel commended Linda Smith and many of our students for serving as "buddies" at Night to Shine last Friday night. It was a special event and our students were great with the attendees.

11. ADJOURNMENT Marci Glover made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 P.M. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

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BOARD PRESIDENT **BOARD SECRETARY**